THE CHRISTMAS GIFT

Prelude

Samantha T, Colby & Brielle H Ella M, Emily A

* Opening Song: O Come, Little Children

(congregation and children)
O come, little children, O come, one and all,
To Bethlehem haste to the manger so small.
God's Son for a gift has been sent you this night
To be your Redeemer, your Joy, and Delight.

Songs: Joy, Joy, Joy Christmas Is a Celebration

Call to Worship:

"Look," said the prophet,
"A virgin shall conceive and bear a son."

"You shall call Him Immanuel, which means, 'God with us.' "

He will be born of the line of David and of His kingdom there will be no end.

You will call Him Jesus, because He will save His people from their sin.

In Him all the promises made from the beginning of time to the end shall come true.

By Him the fullness of God's love shall shine upon the whole world.

Song: I Was Glad

Welcome:

Welcome! We are the shining stars. Do you see what we see?

Jesus, born in a stable!

The Savior of the world!

The King of Kings!
The Light of the world!

Come, celebrate with us.

Songs: Celebrate

We're Singing Praises

Prayer

Part 1: THE PROMISED GIFT

Congregation

Narrator and Children

Recitation: *Isaiah 7:14 Jackson M*

* Song: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here. Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, O come, great Lord of might, Who to your tribes on Sinai's height In ancient times did give the law In cloud and majesty and awe. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.

Part 2: THE LIVING GIFT

Narrator and Children

Recitation: Luke 2:1-7 Hudson K

Song: *Little Baby Jesus* Maya M

Recitation: Luke 2:8-12 Colby H

Song: The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy

Recitation: Luke 2:12-20 Kaelyn H

Song: Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Part 3: THE THREE GIFTS

Message: Matthew 2:11-12 Pastor Robert

Songs: He Is the King of Kings King of Kings and Lord of Lords

Offertory: *The Nativity* Cheryl K & Nancy Z (The 3-4 year olds go sit with parents)

Part 4: THE PRICELESS GIFT

Narrator and Children

Recitation: John 3:16 Silas H

* Song: Beautiful Savior

Congregation

Beautiful Savior, King of Creation, Son of God and Son of Man. Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve Thee Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of man. Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine!

Part 5: THE CHRISTMAS GIFT

Narrator

A Christmas Prayer

For the miracle of Christmas,

We thank you, Lord.

For the baby in a manger, For the shepherds on a hillside, For the angels in the sky,

We thank you, Lord.

For stars, candles and Christmas songs for remembering,

We thank you, Lord.

For being on the receiving end of your love,

We thank you, Lord.

For Christmas grace and hope and peace, and for eternal joy,

We thank you, Lord.

Fill us all with your Spirit, so that we can come to Christmas ready to receive the newborn King.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Narrator and Children

Songs: Lord, Be Glorified You Are the Light of the World Stand on the Rock

Narrator:

And we all say together...

We go in joy. The Lord has come!

Song: Doxology

* Songs: One Generation Will Call to the Next

We will extol you, God and King Congregation
And bless your holy name.
Day after day we'll sing your praise;
Forever and forever.

Refrain: One generation will call to the next:
"Our God is good, and his hand is strong!"
All of the world sings his marvelous acts,
And our voice will join with theirs in the song.

Now may your name be sung In every tongue in every place. Singing the fame of your great love In every generation.

* All Hail, King Jesus

All hail, King Jesus! All hail, Emmanuel! King of kings, Lord of lords, Bright Morning Star. And throughout eternity I'll sing His praises, And I'll reign with Him throughout eternity.

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A special thanks to all the kids and their teachers and our young musicians.

Many thanks to Nancy Z for her accompanying skills, Fred & Helene Y for making our worship service complete.

Program concept adapted from Christmas Gift by Kremer Pub.

Chíldren's Christmas Service



God's Gift to Us

First Christian Reformed Church Lynden, WA 98264 Sunday, December 15, 2019 6:00 p.m. Service